

# Health News Release

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#### State disciplines health care providers

**OLYMPIA** -- The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 80 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Look up a health care provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health website (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are encouraged to call and report their complaint.

# **Clark County**

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission entered an agreement with registered nurse **Sarah Adair Harris** (RN60457004) that requires her to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. Harris didn't comply with a previous substance abuse monitoring contract.

In May 2015 the secretary of health ended probation for massage practitioner **Douglas L. Black** (MA00011374).

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Gale Robinson** and **Peter Robinson** of its intent to issue cease-and-desist orders. Charges say the Robinsons, who don't have veterinary licenses, own pet care businesses that provide veterinary dental services for a fee. Gale Robinson allegedly performs veterinary dental services without a license.

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Baozhu Wu** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Wu allegedly performed massage without a license.

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Xiuyu Zhan** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Zhan allegedly performed massage without a license.

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In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Haibin Yu** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Charges say Yu owns a business where unlicensed employees provided massage services.

## **Cowlitz County**

In May 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Lynsie Kay Harriman** (CO60445084) and placed her on probation. Harriman must undergo an evaluation for a substance abuse monitoring program, and complete continuing education in law and ethics. Between 2004 and 2010 Harriman was convicted of six felonies, four gross misdemeanors, and four misdemeanors.

# **King County**

In May 2015 the Medical Commission charged physician assistant **Deborah E. Riedesel** (PA10001253) with unprofessional conduct. Riedesel allegedly didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission ended conditions on the credential of registered nurse **Lynda Irene Qualls** (RN60270131).

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission reinstated the registered nurse credential of **Sheila Rae Collins** (RN00088462). Her credential was suspended in 2014 because Collins didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract. In April 2015 she entered into a new contract.

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission entered an agreement with registered nurse **Frank Douglas Muzzey** (RN00110065) that requires him to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. Muzzey didn't comply with a previous substance abuse monitoring contract.

In May 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional trainee credential to **Crystal Dandridge-Jackson** (CO60549284) and placed her on probation for at least two years. In 2012 she pleaded guilty in federal court to two counts of false claims.

In May 2015 the Counselor Program charged mental health counselor and chemical dependency professional **Kelly L. Rundle** (LH00005229, CP00006382) with unprofessional conduct. Rundle allegedly developed a romantic relationship with a client.

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Wei Zhang** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Charges say Zhang owns a business at which an unlicensed employee offered to provide massage services.

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Shou Fang Xue** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Xue allegedly performed massage without a license.

#### **Pierce County**

In May 2015 the Medical Commission modified an agreement with physician Ronald Schubert

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(MD00038272) to allow him to treat female patients with a chaperone present. In 2012 Schubert was placed on probation in connection with sexual misconduct involving a female patient. He was restricted to treating only male patients.

In May 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a chemical dependency professional credential to **James Leroy Hoag, Jr.** (CP60534205), who must abide by conditions imposed when he received a chemical dependency professional trainee credential in 2011.

In May 2015 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program reinstated the chemical dependency professional trainee credential of **Robin Lee Mauritzen Sehmel** (CO60309262). Her credential was suspended in 2014 after she didn't comply with conditions of a 2012 agreement. Sehmel, who was placed on probation, must continue to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program.

In May 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program filed a corrected amended statement of charges against registered nursing assistant **Monica Wanjiku**, also known as Monica W. Ragui and Monica Wanjiku Njonjo (NA60107878, NA60266848), to correct the spelling of a name.

## **Skagit County**

In May 2015 the secretary of health conditionally granted a certified medical assistant credential to **Kevin Douglas Tinsley** (CM60502227), who must abide by conditions imposed when he received an interim medical assistant license in 2014.

#### **Snohomish County**

In May 2015 the Osteopathic Board filed a second amended statement of charges against osteopathic physician **Keith Ky Ly** (OP00001670) to add allegations that Ly prescribed medication and treated patients after he lost his prescription authority, and his license was suspended.

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Cortney Horn** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Horn allegedly advertised massage while having no license.

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission entered an agreement with registered nurse **Ann-Lisa Delight Gubbels** (RN60019565) that requires her to participate in a substance abuse monitoring program. She admitted diverting narcotics for her own use from the hospital where she worked.

#### **Spokane County**

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Lori Ann Douglas** (RN00098957) with unprofessional conduct. Douglas allegedly didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

In May 2015 the Nursing Assistant Program charged certified nursing assistant **Mary Eyvonne Green** (NC60014915) with unprofessional conduct. In 2015 Green pleaded guilty to third-degree assault.

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# **Stevens County**

In May 2015 the Pharmacy Commission charged pharmacy assistant and pharmacy technician **Adam W. Carpenter** (VA60297400, VB60213447) with unprofessional conduct. Carpenter allegedly admitted diverting narcotics for his own use from the pharmacy where he worked. Charges say he was arrested in 2013 on charges of driving while intoxicated and possession of controlled substances without a prescription — hydrocodone.

# **Thurston County**

In May 2015 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Patricia Sherrill Hanna** (RN60240460) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly didn't comply with a substance abuse monitoring contract.

# **Yakima County**

In May 2015 the Unlicensed Practice Program notified **Hongtao Mu** of its intent to issue a cease-and-desist order. Charges say Mu owns a business where an unlicensed employee provided massage services.

### **Out of State**

**New Mexico:** In May 2015 the Nursing Commission entered an agreement with registered nurse **Jane Elizabeth Nichols** (RN00112430) that places her license on probation for at least two years. She must pay a \$1,000 fine, and complete continuing education in medication administration and documentation. Nichols made medication errors involving two patients, and turned-on a third patient's external pacemaker without an order from the physician.

**Note to Editors:** Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

The <u>Department of Health website</u> (doh.wa.gov) is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. Also, find us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

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